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Applicant(s) : Broeng et al. Group Art Unit: 2877  
Serial No. : 09/282,303 Examiner: P. Natividad  
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

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Responsive to the Restriction Requirement mailed December 19, 2001

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**REMARKS**

This response has been filed within four months of the mailing date of the restriction requirement mailed by the Examiner on December 19, 2001. A petition and fee for a three month extension of time has been submitted herewith.

The Examiner has required restriction to one of the species of the claimed invention, namely:

- I. Claims to FIG. 11,
- II. Claims drawn to FIG. 13; and
- III. Claims drawn to FIG. 15.